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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

In re

Case No. 23-30564

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP  
OF SAN FRANCISCO,

Chapter 11

Debtor and  
Debtor in Possession.

**FINAL ORDER GRANTING DEBTOR'S  
EMERGENCY MOTION FOR INTERIM  
AND FINAL ORDERS AUTHORIZING  
THE DEBTOR TO (1) PAY CERTAIN  
PREPETITION INVOICES FOR ABUSE  
SURVIVORS' ASSISTANCE AND SAFE  
ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMS, AND (2)  
CONTINUE ITS PREPETITION  
PRACTICE OF PAYING FOR ABUSE  
SURVIVORS' ASSISTANCE AND SAFE  
ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMS**

Date: September 14, 2023

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Via ZoomGov

Judge: Hon. Dennis Montali

1 The emergency motion of The Roman Catholic Archbishop of San Francisco's ("RCASF")  
2 or the "Debtor"),<sup>1</sup> for an order authorizing the Debtor (i) to pay certain prepetition invoices for  
3 abuse survivors' assistance and safe environment programs, and (ii) to continue to pay certain  
4 invoices for such programs in the ordinary course of its business [ECF No. 13] (the "Motion"),  
5 came on for hearing on September 14, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. (the "Second Day Hearing"), before the  
6 Honorable Dennis Montali for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of  
7 California. The Debtor appeared through its counsel, Paul J. Pascuzzi of Felderstein Fitzgerald  
8 Willoughby Pascuzzi & Rios LLP and Ori Katz of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP.  
9 All other appearances were as noted on the record.

10 After the Second Day Hearing, counsel of record for the Debtor, the Official Committee of  
11 Unsecured Creditors of the Debtor (the "Committee"), and Tracy Hope Davis, United States Trustee  
12 for Region 17 (the "UST," and collectively with the Debtor and the Committee, the "Parties"), met  
13 and conferred regarding the relief requested by the Motion and the Debtor and the Committee have  
14 stipulated to entry of a final order on the Motion, as noted in that *Stipulation to (1) Vacate Final*  
15 *Hearing on Resolved First Day Motions and (2) Continue Final Hearing on Debtor's Emergency*  
16 *Motions Regarding (A) Existing Cash Management System and Related Relief; and (B) Payment*  
17 *and Honoring of Prepetition Wages, Salaries, and Employee Expenses, and Related Obligations*  
18 [ECF No. 179] filed on October 3, 2023 (the "Stipulation"). The UST does not oppose entry of a  
19 final order on the Motion.

20 IT IS ORDERED that:

- 21 1. The Motion is GRANTED, on a final basis as set forth herein.
- 22 2. The Debtor is authorized, but not directed, to pay accrued but unpaid prepetition  
23 amounts due and owing to Counselors and other counter parties involved in the Abuse Survivors'  
24 Assistance and Safe Environment Programs as of the Petition Date, on an interim basis up to an  
25 aggregate amount of \$50,000.

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28 <sup>1</sup> All capitalized terms used but not defined in this Order shall have the same meanings given to them in the Motion.

1           3.       The Debtor and its employees and agents are authorized to take such acts as are  
2 necessary and appropriate to implement and effectuate the relief granted herein.

3           4.       The Debtor's banks are authorized and directed to honor and pay all pre-petition and  
4 post-petition checks issued or to be issued and fund transfers requested or to be requested, by the  
5 Debtor in respect of the Abuse Survivors' Assistance and Safe Environment Programs.

6           5.       Notwithstanding the relief granted by this Order and any actions taken in accordance  
7 with this Order, nothing in the Motion or this Order shall be deemed: (a) an admission as to the  
8 validity of any claim against the Debtor; (b) a waiver of the Debtor's rights to dispute any claim on  
9 any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any claim; (d) an implication or admission that  
10 any particular claim is of a type specified or defined hereunder; (e) a request or authorization to  
11 assume any agreement, contract or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; or (f) a  
12 waiver of the Debtor's rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.

13                               \* \* \* **END OF ORDER** \* \* \*

14 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

15 Dated: October 20, 2023

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